

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA LAFAYETTE-OPELOUSAS DIVISION

PAUL R. SCHEXNAYDER

CIVIL ACTION NO. 07-2081

VS.

JUDGE MELANÇON

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, COMMISSIONER OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

MAGISTRATE JUDGE METHVIN

JUDGMENT

This matter was referred to United States Magistrate Judge Mildred E. Methvin for her Report and Recommendation. After an independent review of the record and the applicable jurisprudence, and noting the absence of objection, this Court concludes that the Findings and Recommendation of the magistrate judge are correct and this Court adopts the conclusions set forth therein.

Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED AND DECREED** that the Commissioner's decision is **REVERSED** and that benefits are awarded consistent with an onset date of November 30, 2001.¹

Lafayette, Louisiana this 16th day of March, 2009.

TUCKER L. MELANÇON UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

¹ This constitutes a "final judgment" that triggers the filing period for an EAJA fee application. <u>Schaeffer</u>, 509 U.S. 292, 113 S.Ct. 2625, 2631 (1993); <u>Freeman v. Shalala</u>, 2 F.3d 552 (5th Cir. 1993).